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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Kenneth S. McElvain

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.136(a) Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated June 28, 2001. Our check in the amount of \$110.00, the extension fee required for a response filed within the first month (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)), is submitted concurrently herewith.

Please charge any debits and credit any overages to our Deposit Account Number 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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